

**DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY**

**Proposed Language**

Amend subsection (b) of section 1397.61 of Division 13.1 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations, to read as follows:

**§1397.61. Continuing Education Requirements.**

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(b) Any person renewing or reactivating his or her license ~~on or after January 1, 2000~~ shall provide ~~written evidence of completion of a continuing education course of no less than four hours in length~~ certify under penalty of perjury that he or she has obtained training and/or experience in the subject of laws and ethics as they apply to the practice of psychology in California, for each license renewal cycle. ~~This course~~ The training and/or experience shall cover include recent changes/updates on the laws and regulations related to the practice of psychology; recent changes/updates in ethics codes the *Ethical Principles of Psychologists and Code of Conduct* published by the American Psychological Association; and practice; current accepted standards of practice; and application of ethical principles in the independent practice of psychology; and any other applications of laws and ethics as they may affect a licensee's ability to practice psychology with safety to the public. ~~It is the responsibility of each licensee to certify, under penalty of perjury, to the completion of this course to the Board of Psychology as indicated on the license renewal application.~~ Each renewing licensee shall make such certification to the Board of Psychology as it is requested on the application for license renewal.

If the licensee chooses to apply a specific course on the topic of laws and ethics to meet the foregoing requirement, such a course must meet the content requirements named above, must comply with section 1397.60(c) of this Article, and may be applied to the 36 hours of approved continuing education required in Business and Professions Code section 2915(a).

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Authority cited: Sections 2915(g) and 2930, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 29 and 2915, Business and Professions Code.